Misappropriation of Funds by UTI for buying Global Tele Shares

63. SHRIMATI JAYAPRADA NAHATA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that UTI paid Rs. 468.71 crores to buy Global Tele Shares whose market value is only Rs. 85.22 crores; and

(b) if so, the reasons for not making proper internal analysis before the investments?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL): (a) UTI has intimated that the total cost of its investment in equity shares of Global Telesystems (through primary & secondary investments) as on 30-06-2001 was Rs. 468.71 crore, with a corresponding market value of Rs. 85.22 crore.

(b) UTI has intimated that the major part of the investment was made in the year 1999-2000. The audited financial figures reported by the Company in the year 1999 indicated a growth of 12.6% in net sales and growth of 57.38% in net profits earned by the Company.

Tax scandal in Mohan Nagar Sehkari Avas Samiti

64. SHRI SURYABHAN PATIL VAHADANE: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received representations from various parties/persons to enquire into the frauds of funds thereby tax evasion by the Mohan Nagar Karamachari Sehkari Avas Samiti Ltd., Mohan Nagar;

(b) if so, the salient features thereof;

(c) what action has been taken by Government to order an enquiry by an Independent Agency like CBI, etc.; and

(d) by when the tax scandal is likely to be solved?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI GINGEE N. RAMACHANDRAN): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Representations have been received from Shri Suryabhan Patil